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In re Application of:
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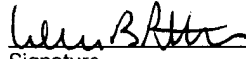
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SECOND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 18, 2005

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 18, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response extended one month set to expire on March 18, 2006, and an Advisory Action dated February 2, 2006, please enter this response and Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/CRUI/0026/WBP for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper. **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper and

include an attached replacement sheet. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.